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REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 7-20 are pending in the application and stand rejected. Claim 6 is herein

canceled. No new matter is added. In light of the foregoing amendments and the following

remarks, Applicants earnestly solicit favorable reconsideration.

Applicants thank the examiner for considering claims 1-5 and 7-20 to be allowable.

As claim 6 is herein canceled, only allowed claims 1-5 and 7-20 are pending in the

application. As such, applicants respectfully ask the objection be withdrawn and the

application to be allowed. Applicants respectfully submit that this case is in condition for

allowance and allowance is respectfully solicited.

If any points remain at issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a

personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at

the local exchange number listed below.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate

extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect

to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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